



WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order #T-2014-0616-HCNRA-09



Fire Closure

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Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order within the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

1. It is prohibited for any person to be on any trail described in Appendix A of this order. **36 CFR 261.53(e).**

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- (1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- (2.) Any Federal, State or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this 1 of October, 2014

/s/John Laurence

JOHN LAURENCE

Forest Supervisor

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)



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Appendix A

- South Boise Trail #101 (#101A): Closed from Junction with Seven Devils Loop Trail #124 and #214 northeast to the Junction with Dog Ridge/ Oxbow Trail #625 (#62)
- Trail #194 (#113): Closed from Junction with Horse Heaven Trail #214 east to Junction with Trail #192/191 (#113)
- Devils Farm Trail #114: Closed from Junction with Little Granite Creek Trail #112 southeast to Junction with Horse Heaven Trail #214 and #124

Statement of Need:

This closure is necessary to provide forest visitors protection from the current fire safety hazards associated with the Freezeout Ridge Fire in the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. Safety hazards associated with fire suppression include, erratic wild land fire behavior, overhead support aircraft, and snag hazards.

Enforcement Procedures:

Enforcement will be conducted by FPOs, LEOs and SAs. Discretion will be used in the first couple of days after enacting the order and the preferred method of compliance will be a warning since the goal is to clear the area and protect the public.

Posting:

Posting shall be done by the forest staff or fire personnel assigned to the fire. Posting should be made at all major access point to the area.

Enforcement Plan

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LEI input	9/30/14
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	9/30/14
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	9/30/14
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	9/30/14
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO, LEO	9/30/14

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

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Forest Supervisor

Robert Field

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Patrol Captain



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APPENDIX A

